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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 3 months extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEES

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TOTAL	15	-	26	= 0 x \$ 18.00	= \$ 0.00
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Sir:

This is in response to an official action dated March 23, 2004, wherein the pending claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. The applicants respectfully traverse in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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